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In re Patent Application of:
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For: AMYLASES, NUCLEIC ACIDS ENCODING
THEM AND METHODS FOR MAKING AND
USING THEM

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**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT
AND SECOND PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Dear Sir:

Responsive to this Election/Restriction Requirement Office Action mailed January 18, 2008 ("the OA"), Applicants respectfully request entry of the amendment and consideration of the remarks set forth herein. A response to the Office Action was initially due February 18, 2008. Applicants herein submit a petition for a three month extension of time to May 18, 2008, under 37 C.F.R. §1.136, with the appropriate fee under 37 C.F.R. §1.17. Accordingly, this response is timely filed.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 20, of this paper.

The following documents are enclosed herewith:

- Transmittal letter, Petition for a three month extension of time.